Subject: Tiffany Bryan dollar
ANS member: 1923-1930

Moore, Hira C.
[Flint, MI]

1925

October 19th
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Mr. Hira C. Moore,
Industrial Savings Bank,
Flint, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Moore:

I am enclosing herewith a Tiffany Bryan dollar, as per your request of October 16th.

After receiving your previous letter, I had a talk with Mr. Howland Wood, of the American Numismatic Society, of this city, which you no doubt know is the oldest organization of its kind in America and which has the largest collection in the Western Hemisphere.

Upon looking over the Society's collection of Bryan pieces, which is very complete, Mr. Wood found the following list of specimens, which he has in duplicate and which he is willing to dispose of for the Society's account.

I am forwarding this list to you as a favor to the Society and am sending a copy of this letter to them.

Any further correspondence you may have regarding them, you will be good enough to mail direct to Mr. Howland Wood, American Numismatic Society, 155th St. & Broadway, which they will no doubt take care of.

Trusting that this is of some convenience to you, I am

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure :

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HIRA C. MOORE
VICE PRESIDENT

Flint, Mich. October 22nd, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood, Secy,
American Numismatic Society,
155th St. & Broadway,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Mr. Archibald Firestone has forwarded me a list of Bryan coins which you are willing to sell. I am particularly interested in the small Gorham Dollar and I have a friend here who is interested in the other four Silver Dollars. If you will forward these to me on approval, I think I can place all or most ~~of that~~ at the prices named.

Your records will show that I am a member of your society.

Yours very truly,

HCM-MS

Vice President.

2005 Detroit St.

Fellow

Postage 19¢ Vo. no value

October 28th, 1925

Mr. H. C. Moore, Vice-Pres.
Industrial Savings Bank
Flint, Mich.

Dear Mr. Moore:

Yesterday, I sent you by insured parcel post the silver Bryan dollars which you desired.

As you happen to have two of the small pieces, I included both as possibly your friend might like one of these also.

Have you gone into the early satirical pieces of lead and other base metals - they really form a most interesting series? We have specialized in these for many years and possibly possess the best collection in existence.

Very truly yours,

Enc. Curator

P.S. On rereading your letter, I think you desired also the Thomas L. Elder restrike, which was omitted in the package sent to you. I shall be glad to forward this, if you wish to have me do so.

H.W.

2005 Detroit St

H. C. Moore, Esq.
Industrial Savings Bank
Flint, Mich.

October 28th, 1925

2 Small Gorham & Co. dollars, July 5, 1900 @ $6.00 ..... $12.00

1 Large Gorham & Co. dated 1896, extremely fine 4.50

1 " " " " reverse with wheel, 1896 ..... 7.50

1 " " " " wheel and inscription, 1900..... 12.50

1 Thomas L. Elder restrike, 1908 ..... 5.00

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October 30th, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Society,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I have your favor of the 28th inst., but the coins have not arrived as yet. I am interested in the story of American coinage and am collecting stories rather than coins. Of course, when I run across a good story, I try to locate some coins to illustrate the story. I am not particular in getting the full series of any particular issue, but just enough for the purpose of illustration.

We occasionally have an ancient coin brought in to us for identification. Would it be satisfactory if we sent these coins to you for your opinion in the matter?

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Yours very truly,

H. C. Moore

Vice President.

HCM-MS

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HIRA C. MOORE
VICE PRESIDENT

Flint, Mich. November 2nd, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I have your letter of the 28th ult., together with the Bill for the five Bryan Dollars. These coins have not been received by me as yet, and I believe it would be advisable for you to trace same inasmuch as they should have been here on Saturday.

Thanking you for your continued interest in the matter, I am,

Yours very truly,

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November 4th, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, between 155th & 156th Sts.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

When I got home last night, I found the package containing the Bryan Dollars. Just as soon as I can get a hold of my friend who is interested in these coins, I will report.

Thanking you, I am,

Yours very truly,

HCM-MS

Vice President.

November 6th, 1925

H. C. Moore, Esq.
Industrial Savings Bank
Flint, Mich.

Dear Sir:

Your letter just at hand, and I am very glad that the medals have now reached you. Our man sent them to your home address, and this may possibly have caused the delay in arrival. I had already placed a tracer on the package, for which your signature may be required within a day or so.

I do not remember whether I answered your question in myur letter of the 30th - we should be very glad to help you out in the matter of identifying ancient coins which you may send to us.

Very truly yours,

Curator

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November 10th, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
American Numismatic Society,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Replying to your favor of the 6th inst., I am enclosing you herewith New York draft for $24.50 in payment of the two small Gorham Dollars and the large one with wheel and inscription.

I am returning under separate cover by registered mail, the two pieces listed at $4.50 and $7.50, respectively.

I would be glad to see a copy of the Elder restrike of 1908 and the "United Snakes of America - 1 damn." If I do not keep these coins, I will be glad to pay the postage both ways.

Thanking you for your courtesy in the matter, I am,

Yours very truly,

H C Moore

Vice President.

HCM-MS

November 12th, 1925

H. C. Moore, Esq.
Industrial Savings Bank
Flint, Michigan

Dear Mr. Moore:

I have your letter and cheque, for which many thanks. And the package has also arrived containing the two Bryan dollars which you have returned.

I am enclosing, herewith, the Elder piece and the One Dam piece, as well as another dollar issued by Tiffany and Co., which we have just located.

Very truly yours,

Encs. Curator

H. C. Moore, Esq.
Industrial Savings Bank
Flint, Mich.

November 12, 1925

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Elder dollar, 1908 (not a restrike)			$5.00
Tiffany dollar			8.00
United Snakes of America	1 Dam	Pewter	4.85

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November 14th, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, at 156th St.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I am in receipt of your favor of the 12th inst., together with the three Bryan tokens.

I am enclosing you herewith my check for $9.50 for the ones I ordered. I already have a very beautiful specimen of the Tiffany Dollar, so I am returning the one you sent me.

I wish to thank you for your courtesy in the matter.

Yours very truly,

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November 18th, 1925

H. C. Moore, Esq.
Industrial Savings Bank
Flint, Mich.

Dear Mr. Moore:

Your cheque for $9.50 with your letter is just at hand, together with the Bryan piece which you have returned to us. Very many thanks for your cheque; and if I hear of anything more which I think may interest you, I will let you know.

It may interest you to know that I have just paid Twenty-five Dollars ($25.00) for a variety of that small Gorham dollar, as well as twenty-five dollars for a new type of one of the small lead satirical pieces. I think these were about the top prices which have been paid for any of the Bryan series - but it shows the way these are going!

Very truly yours,

Curator

November 18th, 1925

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November 19th, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway at 156th St.,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I have your favor of the 18th inst., and note what you have to say relative to the Bryan Dollars. Many thanks.

I am looking for information relative to the Lesher Dollars of Colorado. If you have anything in the library there covering same, giving the reason for them together with an account of Joseph Lesher, I would appreciate having you send it to me. I will be glad to pay the entire expense of shipment.

Yours very truly,

H C Moore

HCM-MS

Vice President.

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Reprints in mehls monthly magazine shortly after

November 21st, 1925

H. C. Moore, Esq.
Industrial Savings Bank
Flint, Mich.

Dear Mr. Moore:

Replying to your letter of November 19th, the first account of the Lesher pieces appeared in The Numismatist, Vol. XXIV, for August, 1911, page 70. And the best account is in the American Journal of Numismatics, Vol. 51, 1918. Unfortunately, there are no reprints at hand, so one has to buy the whole volume which is Five Dollars. The article was reprinted, with a few errors, in Mehl's monthly magazine a short time after - probably 1918.

If you have none of these volumes, I might be able to dig up some sort of a copy of one of these publications, as unfortunately we are supposed not to send periodicals out of our library on account of the difficulty we should have in replacing them if they happened to be lost.

Very truly yours,

Curator

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Industrial Savings Bank

HIRA C. MOORE
VICE PRESIDENT

Flint, Mich. November 23rd, 1925.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
American Numismatic Society,
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:-

I have your favor of the 21st inst., and I am indebted to you for the attention that you have given to this matter. As a member of the American Numismatic Association, I am entitled to borrow books from their library in Rochester. I already have made an application for the paper given at the Numismatist Convention on the Lesher Dollars in 1920. Of course, I may get slipped up even on this proposition.

I assure you that I appreciate your interest in the matter.

Yours very truly,

HCM-MS

H C Moore

Vice President.